

THE GAZETTE.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16.
HOW TO USE SOME OF THE SURPLUS.

The surplus in the United States treasury seems to be a troublesome possession, and it bothers congress in the effort to devise some plan by which to spend it without seeming to be wasteful. There are scores of ways in which the money can be spent, and spent wisely, but the majority of the members of congress do not appear to have seriously thought of such a thing.

One of the most practical ways in which the government can spend a few million dollars is to build several hundred postoffice buildings. There are in the United States 82 postoffices of the first class, the salaries of which range from \$3,000 to \$8,000, and 37 of the offices are located in rented buildings. There are 149 postoffices of the second class, the salaries of which are graded from \$2,500 to \$2,900, and 120 of the offices are in rented buildings. There are 286 offices of the second class the salaries of which are graded from \$2,000 to \$2,400, and 273 of them are in rented buildings. There are 1,922 postoffices, the salaries of which are graded from \$1,400 to \$1,900, and all of them are located in rented buildings. There are some seven hundred more postoffices of the presidential class, the salaries of which are graded below \$1,400, that are quartered in rented buildings. As a postoffice is an institution that will continue as long as towns and cities shall endure, why is it not wisdom for the government to own its own postoffice buildings?

But there is another point in favor of the government owning and furnishing its own postoffice buildings in all important towns, villages and cities, or else increase the salaries of the postmasters who are in third class offices. Take, for instance, a postmaster whose salary is \$1,800 to \$1,700. In order to give the public decent postal service, or to use the language of Postmaster General Vilas, "in order to provide such service as to satisfy his sense of personal honor in performance of a public duty, he has been compelled to make an annual outlay of from \$1,000 to \$1,800, besides giving occasional personal labor." There are some presidential postmasters who are compelled to pay fuel, light, clerk hire and so on out of their salaries, and in some towns to pay their own office rent! In the language of Mr. Vilas, such a condition is neither creditable to the justice of the government, nor wisely conducive to the finished service which shall be exacted by postmasters to the public.

There are in the United States some 600 towns and cities whose population ranges from 3,000 to 8,000; 210 whose population is from 8,000 to 12,000; 120 whose population is from 12,000 to 20,000; and in not a score of these are the postoffices located in buildings owned by the government. Suppose the government should build two thousand postoffice buildings, whose average cost would not exceed \$20,000, that would be only forty millions in the aggregate cost, a sum which the government can well afford to spare for such a practical and wise purpose. It is Congress which to do something for the people, and to erect lasting monuments to its common sense and practical wisdom, let it provide for the erection of handsome and enduring postoffice buildings in all towns and cities in the country containing 3,000 or more population where the government does not own such buildings.

The other day the Nation, which is the weekly edition of the New York Post, (mugwump) printed a brief letter from another mugwump, in regard to the "postoffice department not being conducted on common sense principles." The mugwump is in the publishing business and he claims that the loss of mail matter while in transit is increasing, and he asks the Nation to explain why this condition of things exists. But the Nation didn't, as a matter of course. In his letter the mugwump says:

Indeed, I myself have a special load of sorrow. I am a disgruntled republican; I am trying to be a democrat. It is an unenviable road for me; I need encouragement. I am sadly discouraged when I see how strong the likelihood is, when a democrat obtains office, that he will turn out to be a fool or a knave. The mugwump has fallen into hard luck in trying to be a democrat under this peculiar administration, and it is no wonder he is loaded down with sorrow. If a mugwump is honest, and most of them are intelligent, sober-minded and earnest men, it is no wonder he begins to lose heart when he sees civil service made a football of, and the public office-trust business first out of the white house by a mob of democratic politicians who crave and demand office. Probably Mr. Mugwump had better take his complaint to Don Dickinson in a few days, who is counted the liveliest democratic partisan that ever set foot in Washington.

Bogus Senator Turpin, from Indiana, has introduced a bill for the admission of Dakota as a state, which means two additional republican senators, several more republican members of the lower house, and a large addition to the number of republicans presidential electors. The Greeks come bearing gifts. What conspiracy have they under way?—Chicago Journal.

Can't the Journal see the scheme the democrats have in view? On the very day Mr. Turpin introduced the bill to admit Dakota, he also introduced one to admit Washington territory. This means that congress shall admit Washington if Dakota is admitted. The former is a democratic territory, and of course will be admitted as a democratic state, and that will cut the republican state of Dakota. The Washington bill is a sort of a rider to the Dakota bill, and unless

the former is passed, the latter will be defeated. This is a bold act of partisanship on the part of the democratic majority in congress, but it just matches the democratic spirit in that body. Dakota has about 600,000 population, and is kept out of the Union by the partisanship of a democratic congress, but the same majority wants Washington admitted which has less than 100,000 population.

The director of the mint, in a statement given out to the correspondent of the New York Commercial Bulletin, and copied in the National Republican, says that the currency of all kinds in circulation on the 1st of November was \$1,373,272,000. Secretary Sherman in his official report, page 30, says it was \$1,326,512. There is a slight discrepancy of \$46,760,788. How is it to be accounted for? The director of the mint, in his official report, page 45, makes the sum in circulation \$1,355,571,235 on the 1st of July, 1886, while the secretary says that on that day the volume of currency was \$1,245,554,655. There is only a slight difference of \$306,006,580. Some one ought to teach a uniform system of book-keeping in the treasury.—Washington Republican.

The democratic members of this administration have different ways of looking at the same thing. Secretary Fairchild says the surplus for the current year will be 66 million dollars, while Secretary Manning said it would be 125 millions. But a few millions of dollars don't seem to make any difference in the guess work which is made by the treasury officials.

Charles Dudley Warner, in the Editor's Drawer of the last Harper's, speaking of the fact that we are exhorted on Christmas day to remember the poor says, that we need to be reminded rather to remember the rich, "the lonely, not easy-to-be-satisfied rich, whom we do not always have with us. The Drawer never sees a very rich man that it does not long to give him something, some token, the value of which is not to be estimated by its cost, that should be a consoling evidence to him that he has not lost sympathy to his ordinary humanity."

Higgins having done the work of his master, says he will resign at the beginning of the new year. He has done much dirty work for the administration during the past two years, and notwithstanding his total unfitness for the position he has held, the administration has permitted him to continue in office to insult the moral sense of the better element of both political parties.

During the last year the Methodist Episcopal church has raised \$1,044,795.91 for missions. In addition to this the church has raised \$63,000 for Bishop Taylor's work in Africa. But even this immense sum does not represent the religious contributions of this great church, which generously supports a large number of colleges, seminaries and charitable institutions.

About \$22,000 has been raised for the Hendricks monument at Indianapolis and \$3,000 more is wanted. Mr. W. J. W. Corcoran gave the largest contribution, \$800. Mr. Potter Palmer gave \$300. President Cleveland gave \$100. The Hendricks monument enterprise has been quite successful, while other monument funds are languishing in despair.

The immense gathering in New York of young republicans from all parts of the Union, should not forget to adopt resolutions thanking the administration for the work it is doing to secure a republican victory next year. This free trade message was as good a campaign document as the republicans could ask for.

Congressman Gay, of Louisiana, says that the president's message will give Louisiana to the republicans. Mr. Gay is a democrat, and a sugar grower. But suppose that the republican members of congress vote for free sugar, where will Louisiana go then?

It now seems quite probable that General Briggs will get the Mexican mission, if the Wisconsin democrats will get rid of a very troublesome politician when Briggs is sent to Mexico.

A Horse that Can Talk. Everybody has heard of a "horse laugh" but who has ever seen an equine gifted with the power of speech? Such an animal would be pronounced a miracle; but so would the telegraph and the telephone have been hundred years ago. Why, even very recently a cure for consumption would have been looked upon as miraculous, but now people are beginning to realize that the disease is incurable. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will cure it, if taken in time. This world-renowned remedy will not make new lungs, but it will restore diseased ones to a healthy state when all other means have failed. Thousands can testify to this. All druggists.

A \$100,000 Fire in Shelbyville, Tenn. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 15.—At 5:45 Wednesday night fire broke out in the dry-goods store of J. S. Gillis at Shelbyville, and in two hours burned over every building in the whole square. The loss is over \$100,000, with insurance ranging from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

Confessed to Poisoning Her Mother. TORONTO, Can., Dec. 15.—Anna Burke, aged 22, daughter of William Burke, a gun-dealer, has been arrested on a charge of poisoning her mother, who died Tuesday. She had threatened to poison the whole family. She recently attempted to stab her father.

Forge Company's Works Burned. PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 15.—The Eastern Forge Company's works at East Deering were burned yesterday morning. The company was making car axles and had orders ahead for all winter. The loss is estimated at \$30,000.

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CHINA CHASTISED.

The Yellow River Overflows Its Banks.

ELEVEN POPULOUS CITIES SWEEP AWAY.

One of the World's Greatest Catastrophes.—A FORTUNE TOLD TO THE LAST. A SHALLOO SEA—INNUMERABLE DEAD—Millions Starving.

THOUSANDS OF LIVES LOST. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The steamship City of Sydney arrived yesterday afternoon from Hong Kong and Yokohama. Chinese papers give details of a disaster occasioned by the Yellow river overflowing its banks in the province of Honan, and describe it as one of the most appalling occurrences in loss of life and property recorded in recent times. The river broke its banks on the evening of September 28, southwest of the city of Ching Chow, and not only completely inundated that city, but also ten other populous cities. The whole area is now a raging sea, ten to thirty feet deep, where it is densely populated, and rich plain. The former bed of the Yellow river is now dry, and the present lake was the bed of the river centuries ago. The loss of life is incalculable, and the destruction by millions of the millions of Chinese are homeless and starving.

Thomas Patton, one of the American missionaries, writing from Honan province under date of October 28, says: "The newly-ploughed crops, wheat and rice are all swept away, involving fearful loss of life. The country was covered with the water, which is gone, and implies the complete destruction of next year's crop. 'Grain' bread is the cry of thousands who are on the river bank. Hereafter people go in boats and throw bread among the masses here and there, but it is nothing compared with the requirements. The mass of people is still being increased by continual arrivals, even more hungry than the last. There they sit, starved, hungry and dejected, without a rag to wear or a morsel of food. But hats are being ordered for them to the west of this, but it will be in two months I can not conceive. The misery is increased owing to the bitter cold weather."

The Yellow river has long been known as China's sorrow, and the present disaster has served to reassert its right to the terrible title. As yet details of the disaster are very meager. It has occurred in a district where but few foreigners are, and reports furnished by the Chinese and published in the Peking Gazette convey very inadequate particulars of the extent of the loss of life and property and the sufferings of the survivors. The Governor in Honan reports to the throne that "nearly all the people have been drowned in the district reached by the water, the survivors being those who escaped to high ground or took refuge in trees, where they remained till they were rescued."

This gives but little impression as to what the extent of the disaster really is. The Chinese Times states that in the province of Honan, where the inundations have occurred, there are 270,000 people homeless, representing those whose lives were destroyed, and adds that the missing in that province is still being compared with that caused by Huang-Ho, or Yellow river.

The extent of ground swept over by overwhelming flood, given in English figures, is over 7,000 square miles, and the land thus submerged formed a part of one of the richest and most densely populated plains of Northern China. The necessity for liberal aid may therefore be imagined. Already considerable sums have been contributed toward the relief of the sufferers. The Emperor of China has given 2,000,000 of taels, and the Chinese have started a subscription list in Shanghai, to which foreigners have contributed liberally.

Millions have been rendered homeless, and entirely deprived of all chances of earning their livelihood, for their fields will either become permanent lakes or uninhabitable swamps. It is feared that the distress which will be felt during the coming winter will equal in intensity the famine of two years ago, when charitable donations contributed from all parts of the world were utterly inadequate.

It is stated that owing to the action taken by the Yellow river it no longer flows toward the sea, but seems content in converging Eastern Honan and Northern Ngan-sung into a lake. It may ultimately flow into the sea through Kiangsu, or it may even possibly join the Yang-tse-kiang. (The Yellow river has always been noted for its vast and destructive floods, which have been the cause of its being the most low-lying country on either side of its banks. According to Chinese geographers, the Huang-ho takes its rise on the "Spas of Stars," the eastern side of the Bayan-lara Mountains, in the Mongolian province of Koon-hor, where it has gained for itself the name of Alt-un-ghor, or Golden river, from the color of its water. For some miles it runs in two streams, and when united takes at first a southeasterly course. Next, trending in a northeasterly direction, it crosses the province of Kuan-sui and passes northward through the Great Wall until it reaches the rising ground in the neighborhood of the city of Tientsin, thence curving to the northeast and south, it enters China through the Great Wall, and continues its southerly course, forming the boundary between the provinces of Shensi and Shansi as far as Tung-kuang. Here it makes a sharp bend and runs nearly due east to Kai-fung Foo. In the neighborhood of this city it enters a great level, the eastern plain of China, and the alterations which have taken place in its bed between this district and the sea have caused it to be the well-deserved title of "The Sorrow of Man." According to the Chinese records this portion of the river has changed its course five times during the last 2,500 years, and has expended itself into as many different mouths, the most northerly of which is represented as having been about thirty-nine degrees in latitude, or in the neighborhood of the present mouth of the Peiho, and the most southerly being that which existed before the last change in 1815-16, in thirty-four degrees latitude. The breaches that were made in the northern bank of the river east of Kai-fung Foo during the floods of 1891, 1894 and 1896 caused its waters gradually to overflow the low-lying country to the northward; and these, after spreading over a belt of country about twelve miles in width, struck the bed of the Tsing-tai river, and having forced their way into the narrow, shallow channel, followed it to the sea. The result of this change has been that the old course of the river is dry.)

A Big Mortgage. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 6.—Resolutions of the Chicago & Calumet Railway Company were filed in the office of the Secretary of State yesterday authorizing a \$7,000,000 mortgage on all the property of the company, for the company, for the construction and completion of said railroad. The mortgage is made to the Central Trust Company, of New York, and E. H. Durhill, of Hammond, Ind.

Half a Dozen Menus Dined Out. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 15.—At midnight Wednesday last broke out in Lee Summit, Jackson County, forty miles from here. It originated in Blackwell & Spencer's drug store. Six scores were burned. The company was making car axles and had orders ahead for all winter. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

Facts Worth Knowing. In all diseases of the nasal mucous membrane the remedy used must be non-irritating. The medical profession has been slow to learn this. Nothing satisfactory can be accomplished with doches, snuffs, powders, syringes, astringents or any similar application, because they are all irritating do not thoroughly reach the affected surfaces and should be abandoned as worse than failures. A multitude of persons who had for years borne the worry and pain that attend nasal catarrh testify to radical and permanent cures wrought by Ely's Cream Balm.

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THE FREEDMAN'S AID SOCIETY.

Its Efforts on Behalf of the Colored Race for the Last Twenty Years.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The delegates to the twentieth annual meeting of the Freedmen's Aid Society met in the First Methodist church yesterday morning.

The first business of the day was the reading of the report of the corresponding secretary, Rev. R. S. Rust, of Cincinnati, and Dr. Rust's report reviewed briefly the work of the society for the past nineteen years, and gave, in detail, the progress during the year just past.

The chief mission of the society said the report has been to educate and train an emancipated and enfranchised race for useful citizenship in this Christian republic. In the South the educational work has been planned on an extensive scale. For colored people there have been established by the society twenty-two schools and colleges employing 124 teachers, and for the past year having an average attendance of 4,000 pupils.

The report closed with an appeal to the pastors and people of the North to aid the work with contributions of necessary funds. To carry out the work on the plans proposed for next year, will require almost \$250,000, and of this sum only \$700,000 is on hand. Since its foundation, the society has expended almost \$2,000,000 in the work of education in the South, and has school property of almost \$1,000,000 in value in its possession.

The report of the treasurer showed that the total expenditures of the society for the last twenty years amounted to over \$2,000,000. For this the society could show property valued at \$1,500,000 and over 100,000 persons educated. The receipts for the last year were \$184,000, of which all but \$800 had been expended. At least \$250,000 was required to be needed for this year's work.

After the reading of the reports, addresses were delivered by Rev. W. H. Hickman, of Indiana; Rev. J. C. Hartzel, of Cincinnati; President Raymond, of Lawrence University; and Rev. R. M. Hatfield, of Chicago. The Battle Hymn of the Republic was sung, and the exercises closed with benediction.

MRS. ROBINSON'S DEFENSE.

She Denies Poisoning Her Son and Charges Dr. Beers with the Deed.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—In the trial of Mrs. Sarah J. Robinson for the murder of her son Willie yesterday the defense was begun. The attorney admitted that the boy died from arsenical poisoning, but denied that it was administered by her. He declared that Dr. Beers wanted to make love to Mrs. Robinson, but she refused, and the story of the discovery that she had a wife and that Dr. Beers gave Willie medicine on the day before he was taken sick at his place of business, Charles H. Robinson, only one of the prisoners, testified that Dr. Beers gave him a note to poison for Lizette, his sister, and that he gave Willie some white pills. Wilkes' witness was always very kind to the children. Several persons connected with the story as to Mrs. Robinson's affection for her family. Mrs. Robinson, the prisoner, then took the stand. She first gave her life in detail up to the death of her children, then her acquaintance with Dr. Beers, and the quarrel with the former when she ascertained he had a wife. After a visit witness made to Natick with Mr. Smith, Dr. Beers was put out of the way. He said he had enough in his vest pocket to kill the witness, himself and a dozen others. Mrs. Robinson testified that Willie had said he had been poisoned by Dr. Beers \$100 or \$200 and had the doctor's note for it. This witness said she never at any time administered arsenic or any drug to her son, never bought any, never saw any arsenic to her own knowledge, and did not know its appearance or properties. She testified that she had been ordered to give Willie the compound he was taken under advertisement by Justice Kilbuck.

IVES ON TRIAL.

The "Napoleon of Finance" Examined on Charges of Larceny.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The examination of the case against Henry S. Ives, on a charge that he purloined a \$100,000 check owned by the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad, was held Thursday. Mr. Ives denied the transaction with President McKim, the transfer of it to Mr. Starnes, his story being corroborated by Cashier Nevins. Ives also swore that his first wife had not been sent to the penitentiary on August 11 last, and created a sensation by stating that the assignment was made upon the advice of Mr. Julius Dexter, the prosecutor in the present case. A motion to dismiss the complaint was taken under advisement by Justice Kilbuck.

Cut Her Throat.

THOMPSON, Ill., Dec. 15.—Miss Lizette Byrd, aged 13, who lived with her parents near here and became insane on account of a quarrel with her lover, and who was removed to the asylum for the insane, moved to the jail pending her admission to an asylum, broke a window Thursday morning and with a piece of glass cut her throat, inflicting a fatal wound.

Went Wrong in His Old Age.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Joseph Knight, who has been book-keeper of the Manufacturers' National Bank of this city for thirty-five years, was arrested Thursday for embezzlement about \$70,000 of the bank's funds. It is said his stealings have covered a period of nearly twenty-five years. The accused is nearly 60 years of age.

Wholesale Arrests for Embezzlement.

EAST LEBERTY, Pa., Dec. 15.—Eighteen men employed in the East Liberty Stock Yards were arrested Thursday for embezzlement, and a number of others are under suspicion. For a long time the returns from the hay and feed department have been growing less, and a detective was put to work to ferret out the offenders.

British Columbia for the Crofters.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Government has requested Mr. Morrison, leader of the crofter movement, to go to British Columbia and report upon the suitability of the country for the Crofters. If the report is favorable, the Government proposes to assist the Crofters to emigrate to that country.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

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Cost—Actual cost—All wool cloaks and short wraps at cost from now on.

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Don't forget Bort, Bailey & Co.'s special ribbon sale Saturday evening.

Holly, boguet green and mistletoe—will have a fine stock of these Christmas decorations. Leave orders now.

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CHAS. YOUR COLD FART—You can buy at Brown Bros. a shoe store, for the trifling sum of one dollar a nice, warm, buckskin, arctic, guaranteed to make comfortable the coldest feet. Buy a pair and compare them with the rotten stuff sold by their world-like-to-be competitors and convince yourself that the cash shoe store is the place for bargains.

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\$2.50 buy a barrel of the very best New York apples at W. F. Carle's, West Milwaukee street.

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Holiday Slippers—Largest variety lowest prices in the city. You can save money by buying your Christmas slippers of us.

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At our ribbon sale Saturday evening we will sell the best quality manufactured of all silk satin ribbons at the following extremely low prices: No. 2 at 5 cents; No. 3 at 8 cents; No. 4 at 8 cents; No. 5 at 11 cents; No. 7 at 15 cents; No. 9 at 15 cents; No. 12 at 21 cents; No. 16 at 27 cents.

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Fine, hood rubbers—Warm, dressy, equal to an ordinary overshoe, our price only 50 cents. Ask to see them. We make no charge for showing the goods.

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Child's buckle Arctics reduced to 60 cents best quality at Brown's.

Remember we give you a chance to buy ribbons of us Saturday evening at prices never before quoted in this city.

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Turkish baths I incomparable for the complexion.

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A large line of buffalo, wild and goat robes cheapest in the city at Jas. A. Fathers, corner Court and Main streets.

Turkish baths speedily cure Hay Fever.

Charcoal in one or two hundred bushel lots, 12c per bushel.

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Chamber's Encyclopedia with American additions, for sale cheap at Sutherland's.

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UNITED THEY STAND.

The Militia Matter Receives Its Final Straightening Out.

Officers for the Light Infantry Appointed—A Military Ball.

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